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Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

TITR. HORATIO GAY JAMES was admitted a Partner in our Firm on the 1st January, 1878. GEO. R. STEVENS & Co. Hongkong, January 5, 1878.

NOTICE. THE Business hitherto conducted in my name will from This Date be Carried on under the Style of GROSSMANN become a Partner therein.

& Co., Mr G. A. GROSSMANN having C. F. GROSSMANN. Hongkong, January 1, 1878. NOTICE.

TAR. BERNHARD SCHMACKER is W authorized to Sign our Firm by procuration. CARLOWITZ & Co. Canton, Hongkong, Shanghai,

January 1, 1878. NOTICE. TR. H. F. MEYERINK has been admitted a Partner in our Firm

from This Date. MEYER & Co. Hongkong, January 1, 1878 NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. JOSEPH PERROTT BARNES in our Firm in China CEASES from This Date. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co. Hongkong, December 31, 1877.

NOTICE. TAR. CHARLES DAVID BOTTOMLEY IVI was admitted a PARTNER in our Firm on the 1st July, 1877.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, September 22, 1877.

HAVE This Day established myself at this Port as a MERCHANT and COM-MISSION AGENT, under the Style or Firm of GEO. R. STEVENS & Co., who will hencefor and conduct the Agency of the Australasian Steam Navigation COMPANY. G. R. STEVENS

Hongkong, December 20, 1877. NOTICE. HAVE This Day Established myself

at this Port as a GENERAL COM-MISSION AGENT. J. Y. VERNON SHAW.

Hongkong, November 1, 1877. NOTICE.

HAVE This Day Established thyself at this Port, under the Style or Firm, WEST POINT IRON WORKS. ENGINEERS and BOILERMAKERS.

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BAXTER'S CANVAS, Hongkong, December 28, 1877. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Agents.

Intimations.

LIMITED.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY,

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Twenty-third Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be Held at the Office of the Company, No. 50 A, Queen's Road on FRIDAY, the 25th January instant, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing a Director and Auditors.

By Order of the Board of Directors, P. A. DA COSTA,

Secretary. Hongkong, January 2, 1878.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 25th day of January instant, both days Inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors. P. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 2, 1878.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Ordinary Half-yearly MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Hotel on FRIDAY, the 25th January instant, at 4 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts.

By Order of the Board of Directors, LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 4, 1878.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 25th day of January Instant, both days

By Order of the Board of Directors, LOUIS HAUSOHILD, Becretary.

Hongkong, January 4, 1878.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL. TENDERS are invited for a LEASE of the HONGKONG HOTEL, the present Five-yearly Lease expiring on the Sist August, 1878. SEALED TENDERS to be sent in on or before the 31st March, 1878, to the Secretary of the Hongkong HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, who will supply any information required. By Order of the Directors,

Secretary. Hongkong, September 18, 1877.

NOTICE. DR. STOUT expects to Leave the Colony PERMANENTLY about the 20th of January, 1878. Hongkong, December 22, 1877.

LOUIS HAUSCHILD.

DENTAL NOTICE. RETURNED, and is now ready to receive Patienta. Hor stong, November 23, 1877.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Agents.

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Prescriptions Dispensed with Carefulness and Prompt Attention.

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NOTICE.

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September 15, 1877.

AFONG, PHOTOGRAPHER, by appointment, to H.E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY, GOVERNOR OF HONGRONG;

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TO WONG HING CHEUNG & Co.. COAL MERCHANTS, Have always on hand for Sale every description of COAL at Moderate Prices.

Hongkong, August 24, 1877.

Mr Anyon has been appointed Manager, and all Orders addressed to him at 57 Praya, or to Mr Far Jack, at 30, Hing Lung Street, will receive immediate atten-

Hongkong, March 19, 1877.

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ESTRING to benefit by the world- fe2 wide reputation of our Oil, certain parties have attempted to imitate our packages. Suits at law have been instituted against the MARERS AND PURCHASERS of these imitations. Buyers should be careful to see that the words "DEVOE'S BRIL-LIANT" are stendilled on the cases, and the words "DEVOE MTG CO. PATENTS are stamped on the top of the can.

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G. FALCONER & Co., WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS,

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46, Queen's Road Central. Hongkong, August 20, 1877.

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PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORES Of the best quality and at the shortest notice

Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

IN THE GOODS OF JAMES SMITH FERRIES, Deceased.

TOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors and other Persons, having any CLAIMS or DEMANDS upon or against the Estate of JAMES SMITH FERRIES. late Master of the S. S. "ZEALANDIA, who died at Sea on Board the said Vessel on the 8th day of February 1877, and whose Will was duly proved, and Letters of Administration, with the Will annexed, of whose personal Estate were duly granted to John Fairbairn, of No. 27 Queen's Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, by the Supreme Court of Hongkong, in its Probate Jurisdiction, on the 22nd day of September 1877, are hereby required to send in writing the particulars of their Claims or Demands to the said John FAIRPAIRN at his address aforesaid, or to the Undersigned WILLIAM HENRY BRERETON, the Solicitor of the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN, at have a quick despatch. the Office of the said WILLIAM HENRY BRERETON, 29 Queen's Road, Hongkong, on or before the 15th day of January, 1878. And notice is hereby given that at the expiration of the last-mentioned day, the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN will proceed to distribute the Assets of the said JAMES SMITH FERRIES amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard to the Claims of which the said John FAIRBAIRN has then had notice; and that the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN will not be liable for the Assets or any part thereof, so distributed to any person of whose Claim the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN has not had notice at the time of the distribution.

Dated this 3rd day of October, 1877. WM. H. BRERETON, Solicitor for the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN.

IN THE GOODS OF GEORGE UNDERHILL SANDS, Deceased.

ATOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors and other Persons, having any CLAIMS or DEMANDS upon or against the Estate of GEORGE UNDERHILL assorted sizes. Ex S. S. Tigre, Revolving SANDS, late of Victoria, Hongkong, Patent Slip Proprletor and Ship-builder, who died at Victoria sforessid on the 30th day of October, 1877, and whose Will was duly proved, Probate whereof was granted to WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES, of Victoria aforesaid, Esquire, the Executor therein named by the Supreme Court of Hongkong, in its Probate Jurisdiction on the 8th day of November, 1877, are hereby required to send, in writing, the particulars of their Claims or Demands to the said WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES at his address aforesaid, or to the Undersigned WILLIAM HENRY BRERETON, the Solicitor of the said WILLIAM Howell Forces, at the office of the said WM. HENRY BRERETON,

29. Queen's Road, Hongkong, on or before the lat day of May, 1878. And notice is hereby given that at the expiration of the last mentioned day, the said WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES will proceed to distribute the assets of the said GEORGE UNDERHILL SANDS amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard to the Claims of which the said WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES shall then have had notice; and that the said WILLIAM HOWELL FORUES will not be liable for the assets, or any part thereof, so distributed, to any person of whose Claim the said WILLIAM HOWELL Formes shall not have had notice at the time of the distribution.

Dated this 1st day of January, 1878. WM. H. BRERETON, Solicitor for the said

> WILLIAM HOWELL FORBES. Shipping.

FOR YOKOHAMA & HIOGO.

Steamers.

The Steamship "GALLEY OF LORNE expected from Singapore, will have immediate despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, January 10, 1878

Shipping.

Steamers. FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND

CALOUTTA. The Steamship P. L. RHODE, Commander, will be despatched as above

fe20 o'clock p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, January 8, 1878. FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND

The Steamship "HINDOSTAN," Captain T. S. GARDNER, will leave this for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 15th Instant, at 3 p.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to

Agents. Hongkong, January 8, 1878.

FOR HAMBURG (DIRECT.) The A 1 German Bark

"JURGEN." WENDY, Master, will load here and meet with quick despatch. as above.

SIEMSSEN & Co. Hongkong, December 28, 1877. FOR DUNEDIN (N. Z.) The A 1 German Barque

here for the above Port, and

Hongkong, November 14, 1877.

FOR HAMBURG.

Agents. Hongkong, November 23, 1877.

"BROOMHALL! H. BATE, Master, will load here and have quick despatch.

Hongkong, January 7, 1878.

FUR NAGASAKI. The A 1 American Barkentine "ANNIE S. HALL" NELSON, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, January 5, 1878.

FOR NEW YORK, here for the above Port, and will have immediate despatch.

For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, January 3, 1878. FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 American Bark "B. F. WATSON," HAWKINS, Master, will load here for the above Port, and

Hongkong, January 3, 1878. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 British Clipper Ship

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

"CILURNUM," SHREWSDURY, Master, will load here for the above Port, and

Hongkong, December 26, 1877. FOR HAMBURG AND LONDON.

"ONEIDA" S. CLYRIA, Master, having 3/4ths of her Cargo engaged. will load here as above, and will be de-

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Or,

on TUESDAY, the 15th Instant, at 3

CALCUTTA.

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,

Sailing Vessels.

For Freight, apply to

"MARIE," Capt. BURMEISTER, will load

For Freight or Passage, apply to ROZARIO & Co.

The A 1 Clipper Barque "GOLDEN RUSSETT," Richardson, Master, will have

quick despatch as above.... For Freight, apply to WM. PUSTAU & Co.,

> FOR LONDON. The 100 A I British Ship

For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co.

immediate despatch.

The A 1 American Barkentine R. Howes, Master, will load

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will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

The A 1 British Ship

spatched on or about the 31st December.

Hongkong, November 27, 1877.

To-day's Advertisements.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

DARCELS EXPRESS AGENCY, in connection with WHEATLEY & Co., London. Packages Received for transmission to Great Britain by each P. & O. Mail; Charges can be Collected either here or in England. The following Passed U. S. S. Ranger off Haltan Point; particulars of Packages are required-Contents, Value, Address of Consignee, and whether Insurance be desired.

SPECIAL ORDER DEPARTMENT .-- Orders Received and Promptly Executed, for Books, Scientific Instruments, and European Goods of any Description.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,

General Agents.

Hongkong, January 14, 1878.

FOR SHANGHAI, The Steamship "OYPHRENES," Captain Wood, will be despatched as above on WED. NESDAY Next, the 16th Instant, at Noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents, S. S. Cyphrenes. Hongkong, January 14, 1878. FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Steamship

"TAIWAN," Shanghal, unless notice to the contrary is Captain M. Young, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 17th Instant, at Day-

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, January 14, 1878. FOR HOIHOW & HAIPHONG.

The Steamship

Capt. F. Ashron, will be despatched for the above Ports,

For Freight or Passage, apply to DUUGLAS LAPRAIR & Co. Hongkong, January 14, 1877. B. S. HSMERALDA, FROM MANILA.

MONSIGNEES of Cargo per above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the Under-

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Goods remaining in store after the 15th Instant will be subject to rent. J. Y. V. SHAW.

Hongkong, January 14, 1878 HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STRAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

COMMENCING TO-DAY, the Macao Steamer will leave Hongkong at 2 p.m., and Macao at 8 a.m. By Order, P. A. DA COSTA,

Secretary. Hongkong, January 14, 1878. NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE YANGTSZE INSUR-ANCE ASSOCIATION.

SHANGHAI, January 7th, 1878. TN Accordance with a Resolution passed at the ANNUAL GENERAL MEET. ING of July 5th, 1877, the Directors have declared a Dividend to Shareholders of Tacls 49.50 per Share for the fiscal Year ending the 30th September, 1877, and a further Dividend of Taels 10.50 per Share, being interest on Shareholders' Capital at the Rate of 12 per cent. per Annum, for

the quarter ending December, 1877. The above Dividends (Taels 60 per Share) will be Payable on the 15th Instant, at the Office of the Secretaries to Shareholders of record on the 10th Instant.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Association will be OLOSED from the 10th to the 15th Instant, inclusive. Persons collecting Dividends for absent Shareholders are requested to exhibit their

Powers of Attorney for registry at this Office. By Order of the Directors, RUSSELL & Co..

Secretaries.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Molther the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew the following Vessels, during their stay Hongkong Harbour:-

FORMOSA, German 8-m. schooner, Capt. chweer. - Melchers & Co.

Annie S. Hall, American barque, Capt. has. H. Nelson. - Captain. BIBEER, British ship, Captain W. Rey. Moids, -Order.

GLEARBUIN, British barque, Capt. Lang. -Chinese. Vesta, German barque, Capt. R. Dirks. -Melchers & Co.

B. C. RICHMERS, German ship, Captain R. O. Stolt .-- Wm. Pustan & Co.

PRAETON, British barque, Captain H. D. W. Bahul. Wieler & Co. EMMA, German barque, Captain H. Gran. - Wm. Pustau & Co.

ADELINA & MARIANNE, German barque. Captain C. N. Dahl.—Wm. Pustau & Co. WARRIOR, British barque, Capt. William

Banmann. Wieler & Co. Quickerer, American barque, Captain Barnaby.—Captain.

TARTAR, German brig, Captain Kaemena, -Melchers & Co. Marcta, British steamer, Capt. J. H.

Broker. Siemssen & Co. Valority, British barque, Captain R. Marian Web. Platen & Co.

FROM LONDON AND PORTS OF CALL.

THE S. S. Cyphrenes having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk and stored in the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 21st Instant will be subject to rent. Optional Cargo will be sent on to

given by 4 p.m. To-day. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,

Agents, S. S. Cyphrenes. Hongkong, January 14, 1878.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Jan. 13, Yangisze, British steamer, 763, E. Schultze, Chinkiang Jan. 8, and Wooon THURSDAY, the 17th Instant, at Day. | sung 9, Rice and General .- Stemesen &

> Jan. 13, Faugh-a-Balaugh, German barque, 240, Riste, Man-tong Dec. 26, Salt.-Carlowite & Co. Jan. 13, Esmeralda, British steamer, 395, Cullen, Manila Jan. 11, General. -J. Y. V.

Jan. 13, H. M. S. Vigilant, from Macao: Jan. 18, Trhing Tsing, Chinese R. C., Jan. 13, Amboto, British steamer, 973,

Brown, Wuhu Dec 80, Chinking Jan. 6, and Woosung 10, Rice. - MEYER & Co. Jan. 14, 2 a.m., Geelong, British steamer, 1125, C. Fraser, Shanghal Jan. 11, 4 a.m., Mails and General -P. & O. S. N. Co. Jan. 14, Cyphrenes, British steamer, 1290, Wood, London Nov. 16, via ports of call,

and Singapore Jan. 8, General. -- GIBB, Lt-VINGSTON & Co. Jan. 14, Montiara, British schooner, 74, Ravnkilde, Pellew Islands Jan. 3, Bechede-mer .-- ORDER. Jan. 14, Malacoa, British steamer, 1104. H. E. Smith, Yokohama Jan. 8, Mails and

General.—P. & O. S. N. Co. Jan. 14, Washi, British steamer, 265, A. Hunter, Haiphong Jan. 8, Rice,-LAND. STEIN & Co.

Jan. 14. Cassandra, German Steamer, 937, U. Langer, Saigon Jan. 7, Rice,-WM. PUSTAU & Co. Jan. 14, Albay, British steamer, 366, F. Ashton, Haiphong Jan. 7, and Hollow 10,

DEPARTURES. Jan. 13, Formosa, for Whampoa. 13, Stentor, for Shanghal 13, Perusia, for Honolulu and Peru. 13, Douglas, for Coast Ports. 13, Pearl, for Swatow.

Rice and Tin. - Douglas Laprair & Co.

13, Yangteze, for Canton. 13, Fuyew, for Shanghai. 13, Leeyuen, for Canton, 13, Emuy, for Manila. 13, Chefoo, for Shanghal, 13, Tintern Abbey, for Salgon. Cresswell, for Bangkok. 13, Peter, for Talwanfoo.

14. Emma, for Amoy. 14, Amboto, for Whampoa. 14, Salisbury, for Manila, 14, Baileong, for Tamsui, &c. 14. Esmeralda, for Amoy. 14, Galatea, for Shanghai.

CLEARED. Thoon Kramom, for Bangkok, Conquest, for Holhow. Alexandria, for Chefoo,

PASSENGERS.

Per Geelong, from Shanghai! for Hongkong, Messrs W. M. Osborne, J. M. Davies, J. S. Taylor, G. B. Young, Mrs Glover, Mrs G. Goetz, Miss S. Price, and Mr J. K. Scott, and 86 Chinese ; for South. ampton, Capt. Paynter; for London, 1 Distressed British Seaman.

For Cyphrenes, from London, port of call and Singapore for Hongkong, Capt. Graham and Mr Hageman. For Shanghai, Mr and and Mrs Taylor, and Mr Palmer. Per Malacca, from Yokohama, Mrs Hartley, Mrs Emslie, Mr Roper and two distressed British subjects, and 80 Chinese.

Per Esmeralda, from Manila, 2 Europeans and 280 Chinese. Per Cauandra, from Salgon, 41 Chinese. Per Albay, from Halphong and Holhow, 23 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Douglas, for Amoy, Mr and Mrs Wardlaw, Mesars Piehl, Clayson, Saunders, A. K. and D. C. Travers, Coker, Hughes, Williamson, Rickard, Rashleigh, Gray, and Hynes | for Foothow, Messrs W. S. Young and McGregor. Per Perusia, for Honolulu and Peru.

Messra H. Seymour Geary and D. Apple-Per Fuy w, for Shanghai, I Cabin, and 14 Chinese.

Per Emuy, for Manils, 184 Chinese, Per Chefoo, for Shanghai, 2 Europeans deck, and Sundry Chinese, Per Cresswell, for Pangkok, 20 Chinese. Per Emma, for Amoy, 4 Chinese. Por Tintern Abbey, for Saigon, 20 Ohl-

PASSENGERS. Per Stentor, for Shanghai, 1 European. Per Pearl, for Swatow, 90 Chinese. Per Nelson, for Singapore, 201 Chinese. Per Esmeralda, for Amoy, 280 Chinese. Per Hailoong, for Amoy, &c., 100 Chi-

TO DEPART. Per Thoon Kramom, for Bangkok, 3 Chi-Per Conquest, for Holhow, 60 Chinese. Per Alexandria, for Cheloo, 1 European.

SHIPPING REPORTS. The British steamer Yangtsze reports: and French Mail steamer off Breaker Point. The British steamer Esmeralda reports: Strong N.E. gale and heavy sea throughout the passage. Shipping heavy water.
The British steamer Amboto reports:

Left Wuhu for Chinkiang on 80th Dec., arriving same day, left Chinkiang for Woosung on Jan. 6th, arriving on the 9th, and left on the 10th for Whampon. Had steady Northerly winds to Turnabout Island, from which up to Lammock Island, fresh gales from N.N.E., when weather moderated, thence to port light Northerly winds and fine. Passage 3 days 12 hours.

The British steamer Geclong reports: Experienced fresh N.N.W. and N.E. winds with overcast weather during the passage. The British steamer Cyphrenes reports: From London to Singapore fine; from thence to port strong monsoon and high

The British steamer Malacca reports: First part of voyage hard N.W. gale, from Cape Chichahoff to port strong N.E. monsoon and overcast weather. The British steamer Washi reports

Strong gales from N.E. throughout the passage, and very heavy sea on the 9th inst., when lost a man (Chinese) overboard, The German steamer Cassandra reports Strong monsoon to Cape Varela, from thence to port very stormy weather and much rain with a very high sea.

The British steamer Albay reports From Haiphong to Hollow experienced strong N.E. winds and cloudy weather, and from Hoihow to Hongkong encountered strong gale, varying from N. to N.E. with a very heavy sea and cold rainy weather. Steamer in Haiphong, W. Cores de Vriesto leave the same day as ourselves.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS MAILS will close:-

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS CALOUTTA,---Per Venice and Hindostan, at 2.80 p.m., on Tuesday, the 15th inst.

For SHANGHAL Per Ouphrenes, at 11.80 a.m., on Wednesday, the 16th inst. For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW,-

Per Taiwan, at 6 p.m., on Wednesday, The Tang Kou Chi, the 16th inst. For HOIHOW and HAIPHONG, with Mails for Pakhol and Hanol.— Per Albay, at 6 p.m., on Wednesday, the

16th inst.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.-The English Contract Packet GEELONG will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 17th Instant.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, dra ;--Wednesday, 16th Instant. D. P.M., Money Order Office closes.

6 P.M., Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night. Thursday, 17th Instant,-7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and

Posting of all correspondence. 10 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases. 10.15 A.M., Letters may be posted with LATE FEE of 18 cents extra Postage till A.M., when the Post Office OLOSES

(11.30 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom Via Brindisi, or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage,

11.50 a.m., when the Mail is finally Hongkong, January 7, 1878.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET. The United States Mail Packet City of Peking will be despatched on SATUR-DAY, the 19th instant, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as

follows ;---11 A.M. Registry of Letters ceases. 11.80 A.M. Post-Office closes, but Letters (except for Non-Union Countries) may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

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MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET .-The French Contract Packet TIGRE will be despatched from Hongkong on THURSDAY, the 24th Inst. with Oberamt Neresbeim, Württemberg.

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the Mails, da :--Wednesday, 28rd Inst. 5 P.M., Money Order Office closes, Post Office closes except the Night Box. which remains open all night.

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Houghong, January 10, 1878,

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW Shipping. 3 p.m .- Venice and Hindostan leaves for

Singapore, &c. Goods per Esmeralda undelivered after this date subject to rent.

Miscellaneous. Claims against the Estate of James Smith Ferries, deceased, must be proved on or before this date.

General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, January 16:--Noon.—Cyphrenes leaves for Shanghai. Goods per Sindh undelivered after Noon, subject to rent and landing charges.

THURSDAY, January 17:--Daylight .- Taiwan leaves for Coast Ports. Daylight.—Albay leaves for Holhow, &c.
Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports of Call and Europe. Goods per Galatea undelivered after this date subject to rent.

SATURDAY, January 19:-Noon.—American Mail leaves for Yokohama and San Francisco.

Monday, January 21:--Goods per Cyphrenes undelivered after this date subject to rent.

FRIDAY, January 25 :--3 p.m.-Meeting of Shareholders of the H., C. & M. Steamboat Co., Limited,

at No. 50 A, Queen's Road

Francisco.

4 p.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the H. K. Hotel Co., Limited, at Hongkong Hotel. FRIDAY, February 1:-8 p.m.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San

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BIRTH.

At Shanghai, on the 6th January, the Wife of Montague Hawtrey, of a Daugh-

MARRIAGE. At the H. L. German Consulate Ningpo, on the 7th January, before H. B. Meyer, Esq., Vice-Consul, MATTHIAS FRIEDRICH GOTTLIEB KNAPEL, of Hamburg, to Jose. PHINE MAGDALENA GÖTE, of Flochberg,

HONGKONG, MONDAY, JAN. 14, 1878.

A CORRESPONDENT writes stating that he zarjik, as it is most commonly called, understands there is an Inspectorship place nearly midway between Ichliman vacant in the Police Force, and suggest on which the Turks at Sophia were reingthat a post of that kind should in future | cently reported to have fallen back, and as far as Ceylon. The postage to be filled by Chinese. Chinese constables Philippopolis, Here the Russians are Ceylon must be prepaid. Such let have, he says, given him as their reason in possession of another line of railway ters should be marked Paid to Galle for leaving the force that there was no communicating directly with Adrianople only! they will go on from Galle as | chance of promotion beyond the grade of | and Constantinople, while if the Turkish Sergeant, and, if at least one Chinese army lately in that neighbourhood are Inspectorship were founded, it might, he not prompt in falling back upon the thinks, indice superior men to join the force | former town they will run some risk of or at all events to remain in it. Our cor being out off by the Muscovite force respondent, however, admits that pro- assembling at Yeni Sagra. Affairs now bably no Chinese Sergeant at present in | certainly wear a most desperate aspect the Force would be capable of undertak- for the Turks. There is every probabiing the duties of an Inspector, for whom | lity that within a few weeks at the most a good knowledge of English should be Adrianople will be completely invested, a sine qua non, but he thinks that per and then will come the interesting queshaps a suitable man might be found tion whether a peace will be concluded, among the interpreters. The proposition or a Russian advance will take place iald of our correspondent is, we fear, open to upon Constantinople. In view of the

those who could, perhaps, obtain an appointment as constable, if they wanted one. Presuming an interpreter could be found sufficiently acquainted with the general and special duties of a policeman and Inspector, to undertake the same, there would be the probability that, having been elected to the Inspectorship, he would continue to discharge the duties of his office until old age or a pension influenced his retirement, and the Chiness who would be appreciably influenced in favour of the Force by the hope of some day distancing his three or four hundred | chik. native comrades in blue, outliving the latest incumbent of the Chinese Inspectorship, and finally stepping into his shoes, would be a sanguine man indeed. For the class of men who join the native Police Force we should say the grade of a Sergeant was a very enviable position, nor can we imagine any such constable, who really stood a reasonable chance of becoming a Bergeant, leaving the Force because there was no Inspectorship for him to occupy! No doubt THE S. S. White Cloud resumed running the number of Chinese Sergeants might to-day. be advantageously increased, there being only two at present, against eleven European and ten Indian Sergeants.

A RETURN from the Inspector of Schools | board and lost. is published in the Government Gazette of Saturday, giving the results of the first examination under the amended Grant-in-Aid Scheme, a resumé of which we gave our readers a few days ago. forwarding the return to the Government, Mr Stewart notes that the number of scholars presented amounted to 459 as against 390 in 1876, and that the passes amounted to 86 per centum as against 77 per centum in the previous year. We give below the leading figures of the table !--

another column are of very considerable importance. Yeni Sagra, before which the Russians are reported to have arrived, is a town about 40 miles to the south east of Schipks, and there is little doubt that the Russian troops who have entered an appearance at that place formed part of the force which has just succeeded in effecting the ture of the Turkish army in the Schipks Pass. The movement perhaps derives its chief importance from the fact that running to Adrianople, the line having its terminus at Yamboli, a place about 35 miles to the east of Yeni Sagra. The Russians are thus now in possession of a portion of a railway communicating directly with Adrianople, and thence the greatest possible advantage to the Russians for an advance through Roumelia, but at the same time it must not be forgotten that the Turks can render it practically useless to the Russians for Wn understand that, in answer to an a very long period by the simple experenquiry from the Foreign Ministers, the dients of removing all the rolling stock, and destroying the bridges or rails at convenient points. By Bazardchik is doubtless meant Bazarjik, or Tartar Ba-

several strong objections. In the first recent emphatic utterances of England place we very much question whether in regard to a Russian occupation of the skill, influence, and integrity, of the Constantinople, we have a strong imlower class of Chinese, such as enter the pression that the Czar will be by no police force, would justify their being means anxious to lay his hands upon the invested with the important and respon- Turkish capital. Although the Russian sible duties of an Inspector. Then again, and Turkish commanders do not appear if a Chinese Inspectorship were created, to have been able to arrange an armistice individual chances of becoming the in compliance with the instructions of occupant would be so very remote and their sovereigns, as alleged, yet all things vague as in reality to have little or considered we are strongly inclined to no influence over the Chinese—either the opinion that the Russians will not upon those who had joined the force, or advance in the present war beyond Adrianople. Nous verrons.

> REUTER'S TELEGRAMS. [SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL."] (By Southern Route.)

> > THE WAR.

LONDON, 12th, Jan. 1878. Nisch has capitulated. Russian troops have arrived before Yeni Sagra and Bazard-

A new Turkish Ministry has been form-Hamdi Pasha has been appointed Grand Vizier, and Server Pasha Minister of Foreign Affairs.

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evacuated that city.

The civilians living in Adrianople have

Tan S. S. Washi reports having experienced a very heavy sea on the 9th instant, when a man (Chinese) was washed over-

In a proclamation published in the Government Gazette of Saturday, His Excellency the Governor directs that as a mark of respect to the memory of his late Majesty Victor Emmanuel, King of Italy, a faithful ally of our Gracious Sovereign Queen Victoria, to-morrow the Colonial Government Flags be flown half-mast high and that twenty-one minute guns be fired the same day at noon.

THE local Superintendent of the Great Northern Telegraph Company inform us that the Nagasaki-Wladivostock cable is repaired, and that the Northern route to Europe is again in order. The rupture was about 550 miles North of Nagasaki in 480 fathoms of water, and the steamer H. O. Orsted while engaged in repairing the cable encountered very bad weather, with heavy snowstorms, the glass only showing 91 degrees Fahrenheit.

THREE of the men who have recovered from the injuries they received by the Yesso explosion appeared before Mr Russell this afternoon to acknowledge the kindness shewn to them during their sufferings. They were introduced by Messrs Leong On and Wal Kwong, who acted as spokesman. He informed Mr Russell that there were altogether about twenty men who had recovered, and that he (Mr Wai Kwong) would hand Mr Russell" a list of the names of the convalencents. The names of the men who appeared before Mr Russell to-day are Wong Wing Shek of the Hop Hing Hong, Chun Yuen Kwong of the Sun Kwong Foo As indicative of the advance of the Hong, and Chu Asun of the Teen Yes Russians, the telegrams we publish in Tong Hong. Mr Russell congratulated them on their recovery, and said they owed their escaped in a great measure to the kindness and unremitting attention of Messrs Wai Akwong, Fung Cheong, and Leong On. The Government had given orders that no expense should be spared to add to the comfort of those who were injured. It was, of course, the duty of every Government to do all in its power to alleviate the sufferings of persons injured Yeni Sagra is a station on a railway by any great catastrophe of a public nature, and in this case the Government had been specially attentive. He (Mr Russell) was glad to see them come up here to acknow. ledge the kindness shewn them by the Government and others, and he should cerwith Constantinople. At the present tainly inform the Governor that they had season of the year a railway would be of done so. The gentleman who introduced them said that they were going to Government House,

Chinese Government has very bluntly stated its determination to have nothing to do with a Mint or a civilised form of currency. The Viceroy at Nanking and all the provincial Governments are said—as is only natural—to have pronounced strongly against any such pestilential ideas; and the silver-if not golden-anticipations cherished in certain quarters, are consequently disappointed .- Peking Correspondent of the N. O. D. News.

WE hear that considerable changes are about to be made in the Consular Service. and that the rank of Interpreter is abolished. It is said that Sir Brooks Robertson's appointment entails no increase of salary. His successor, Mr Mongan, will have a considerably reduced salary-a great mistake, seeing the importance of the port as the advocate for the Hongkong Govern. ment with the Provincial authorities. Mr Davenport is appointed to Cheloo, Mr King to Ichang, Mr Forrest to Wenchow, Mr Gardner to Pakhol, Mr Herbert J. Allen to Chinkiang, Mr Bewlett to Talwan --- Consuls; Mr Clement Allen to Shange had as Vice-Consul. -- N. C. D. News.

THE A. D.-C. AT THE CITY HALL. The Amateur Dramatic Club gave a performance in the Theatre, City Hall, on Saturday night, which, as is usual on such occasions, was numerously and fashionably have already given, viz., Miss Auld (Cecilia attended. H. E. Mr Pope Hennessy, and Moonshine), Miss Sybil Gray (Emily Trevor), Mrs Hennessy, accompanied by Admiral and Miss Ada Cavendish (Sally Smith). Miss Veron, were present; and the curtain rose, Moonshine's remantic style was capitally hit as notified, at 9 o'clock sharp.

The comedictta "Nine Points of the Law" little piece well suited for Amateurs; and soarings, however, were rudely shaken by with the strong cast made for the present | Frank Friskly who breaks into her preoccasion there could be only one opinion of sence as an escaped convict hunted its success. Almost every one of the actors down, and hoodwinks her. Indeed, the were veterans, and the result proved that whole piece is severely ironical, they are equal to even greater things than contains a suggestive moral on the subthey have yet attempted. As for the "Nine ject of ill-judged sentimentalism and Points," however, it seemed to go with a ignorant romanticism. smoothness and an absence of all apparent effort or shortcoming which is seldem attained by unprofessional actors. We are again to welcome Miss lady whose former achievements on Hongkong boards had already placed her afforded by the courtesy of Admiral Veron high in the ranks of our local dramatists. was one not frequently to be met with. Her personation of the good-looking, fair- The Band of the French flagship, as we spoken and wheedling widow (Mrs Smylie) had mentioned, is one of the best naval was a study in female acting which one bands we ever heard; and the appreciation but seldom meets with amongst amateurs. of the Hongkong public was fully shown by In her every movement, her every tone, and the hearty applause which followed every varying expression, she was a woman, and a selection which it played. Unfortunately widow; and the care with which she ob- many of the audience lost the last selection served the minutiæ of her part clearly (the famous "Retraite"), as they left the showed that she is not only an able but a theatre when the curtain fell. painstaking actress. Her get-up was unexceptionable; her acting was, to our mind, perfect. Miss Sybil Gray, who played the part of the widow's niece (Katic -Mapleson), looked well, and seemed considerably atcher ease; while she ought to interove even upon this creditable first appearance by the example of such acting as that of the talented widow. Sarah Jane (Miss Ada Cavendish) was as well-dressed and wellbehaved a village school-girl as any one. could wish to see. Joseph Ironside was the part taken by Mr Hockey; and to those conversant with the Hongkong stage for the last dozen years, this statement would besufficient, for he has played many parts and always played them well. But his rôle of Saturday was one which suited him admirably, or, which is better, was made to appear to do so. He was the gruff, old, honest Lancashire cotton-spinner all over; and the way in which he got "wheedled" in spite of himself, in the scene with the fascinating widow, and the manner in which he met Rollingstone's blustering, were excellent illustrations of this actor's mellowed power and matured facility. characteristics of Mr Hawkins, who is also a local veteran, is the general excellence of his "make-up;" and his appearance as Cunningame, the attorney, was no exception to this rule. He also acted with great spirit, and tumbled over into the meshes prepared for him by the widow charge of them. In the course of this case, in the most headlong and unprofessional manner imaginable. Mr Sydenham, who has apparently grown out of his former specialty, appeared on this occasion as the brisk young lawyer and lover (John Britton), and a very capable young attorney and taking lover he turned out to be. Rodomont Rollingstone, the unamiable character of the piece, was taken by Mr MacGlashan; and it must be said that this mercenary, scheming, blustering, love-making adventurer could not well have been better personated than he was on this occasion. The unpopular part was made very unpopular; while the reality of the acting was applaud-, ed, as it deserved. There was, as we have

Selby's "Boots at the Swan" is not brilliant farce, although, in the hands of the A.D.C., it was productive of some able and smart acting and of great fun. Mr Trasb as Jacob Earwig ("The Boots") was all that could be expected from that actor's originality and the role he had to fill. Mr Traeb stands first, we should say, in low medy in these parts, and there are few on any amateur stage who devote themselves with such care and natural ability to making allowed the soting was admirable. But there was no very great point in the piece; and the subject matter seemed to be rather beneath the actor's powers. Mr. Henry Higgins was played by Mr Higgins; he was nearly bored to death by Boots, and being in troubled give life and soul to the farce, and he is spirited and vigorous; and we shall look forward with pleasure to a reappearance of judgment or culpable negligence. His this dashing cavalry officer. Mr Maurice was Peter Pippin, a somewhat insignificant of being spubbed was an excuse. How- named Mok Ying, aged 14 years, and Mr though rather difficult part; his chief busis ever, that was a question for them to de- Buspell sommitted them for trial.

said, scarcely a sign of weakness all through

ed success.

ness was to steal jam when he could and olde. whine when he was caught, and this he did well. The female characters were undertaken by the same actresses whose names we off, and the elation she displayed while producing her tragedy which would beat Shak-(by Tom Taylor) is a pleasant and sparkling speare was highly amusing. Her poetical The other parts were well sustained.

As a friend remarked at the close of the performance, "You cannot say too much in praise of the Atalante's Band;" and it must be freely admitted that the musical treat

> SUPREME COURT. IN ORIMINAL SEESIONS.

(Before His Honor Mr Justice Snowden with a Special Jury.) Jan. 14, 1878.

A SPECIAL SESSIONS. THE "YESSO" EXPLOSION CASE. Theodore Bernard, Chief Engineer, and Wm. H. King, the 3rd Engineer, of the British steamer Yesso, were arraigned on two counts of manslaughter in causing the death of one Tsang Asam and one Mahomed Esop, on the 22nd November last by the explosion of the starboard boiler of the

The Attorney General, the Hon. G. Phillippo, instructed by the Crown Solleitor, Mr Sharp, appeared for the prosecution. Mr Hayllar, Q. C., instructed by Mr Brereton, appeared for the first prisoner,

Mr Francis, instructed by Mr Dennys, appeared for the second prisoner. The following special Jury was empanelled: Mesars H. B. Glbb, Thos. Pim. W. Wilson, A. G. McG. Heaton, J. H. Remedies. W. R. Landstein, and D. Ruttuniee. The case was resumed to-day.

His Lordship then summed up the case, and said that it was his duty now to sum up the case to the Jury which was of some importance not only to the prisoners themselves, but to the public at large in a place abounding with shipping like this, and where there was an absence of any Government inspection. No doubt a Government inspection was very important and should be adopted here; at the same time its absence would not relieve the prisoners of their responsibility. On the contrary, they undertook certain duties and they must exercise care and skill in the dishe had heard the remark that the prisoners had risked their own lives, and such a plea was often heard in cases of this kind, but persons who handled such dangerous weapons like machinery, seeing their comparative immunity from danger, would risk a good deal. his Lordship then explained the indictments and the crime of manalaughter. He laid it down that a duty was imposed by law on persons who undertook the management of engines and machinery that they should perform their duties with a certain amount of skill and with attention to see that the engines and machinery should be kept in proper working order, so that they might not be rendered dangerous to public life. His Lordship then quoted authorities on manslaughter arising from culpable negligence. In this case the neglect charged extended over a long time, and the question for the Jury to consider was whether there was a general neglect of duty, and in illustration of the doctrine of law in such a case, his Lordship cited the the piece; and we think it was an undoubtcase of the Penge Murder, where the neglect to supply the deceased with food extended over a long period, and the prisoners, as they all knew, were convicted. His Lordship then gave the principal facts of the present case, reading from the evi-

dence to shew the respective duties of the two prisoners. In the course of his comments, his Lordship observed that the question was whether the prisoners knew the state of the boilers, and whether it was not their duty to have found out that state. As to the weighting of the safety valve, it was not very material if the prisoners had proper knowledge of the boilers. XThe prisoners did not know this kind of boiler, which they expected to be the same as the Stevedore, were charged by Police Sergeant former ones of the Yesso, with longitudinal Grant (No. 12) at the instance of several atays; but their ignorance arose through Chinese traders, the first with stealing get-up was capital, and his loquacity and inexperience more than anything else. piculs red beans, 10 piculs black beans and At the conclusion, his Lordship said that 164 cattles dried lillies, being part of cargo the duty of the Jury was first to flud of the Thoon Krammom and the property of out, in regard to the 1st prisoner, what Wah Awing a trader residing at Bonham ment which followed his rendering all was his duty and what was the meaning Strand and others. The second defendant of the word superintendence-whether was charged with receiving the same well it meant the mere glancing at the ma- knowing it to have been stolen. The evidchinery and engines to see that they ence went to shew that there was a total were in working order, or was it his short delivery of about 634 piculs of beans duty to have made a personal examination | the value of which was, black beans \$2.80 of the boilers. He had found the stays per picul and red beans \$2.40 and about 12 corroded five months ago, was it then his piculs of dried lillies valued at \$9 per picul. duty to have made a careful examination? The owners of the cargo had given a clean If he ought to do so, they should then find receipt on the Bill of Lading, as the first him guilty of culpable omission of duty. defendant declared they had received all As to the second prisoner, headmitted in his | that was in the ship, and they now intend own evidence that he knew the gusset stays to sue the master of the vessel for the value to be corroded and that he reported this to of the amount short delivered. The first the 2nd engineer. The question was defendant said that he took the 16 piculs of whether he ought not to have reported to beans, but they were the sweepings of the Mr Plover, with Mr Traeb, did much to the Chief Engineer, and this omission Mr hold and he had given them to the second Francis contended was only an error of defendant without expecting any reward. iniscalculation of the strength of the plate from the condition of the stays was also an error of judgment. But it was for the for trial. Jury to find whether this was error of

Lordship should not think any omission

On the other hand they had to consider whether or not the accident was caused by undue chemical and mechanical action on a plate which the engineer thought to be good but which turned out to be of were again brought up. Sergeant Grant led them as to its strength. But in coming | Colony early this morning, and as there was to their decision-whatever that might be, no further evidence to connect the prisoners whether both prisoners or either of them with the offence, Mr Russell had to diswere guilty or not guilty—they should bear charge them. in mind the evidence of Messrs Gillies, Robb and Turner as to the duties of an

The Jury then retired at 12.35 p.m. to deliberate on their verdict. In exactly an hour afterwards his Lordship said the Jury could not agree upon one point : and he had called them to come Into Court again.

When they came into Court, the Foreman said the Jurors were in doubts as what was culpable negligence, and could not agree on that point.

His Lordship said, they must culpable negligence, otherwise it would be no offence. Culpable negligence was a neglect of personal duty. With regard to the 1st prisoner it consisted in not finding out the state of the boiler and reporting it to the Captain. As to the 2nd prisoner the breach of duty consisted in his not reporting to the Chief Engineer the state of the stays which he had discovered and which he reported to the 2nd engineer. After quoting the ruling of Lord Denman in a case, his Lordship said if the prisoners' negligence contributed to the death of the two men, they were guilty of culpable

The Jury then retired again, and after the absence of 20 minutes came into Court, and pronounced both prisoners guilty on both counts by a majority of 4 to 3. The foreman said the Jury wished to add that they were unanimous that there were strongly extenuating circumstances owing to the faulty construction of the bollers.

His Lodrship said there were then the points of law reserved, and deferred sen-

Mr Hayllar and Mr Francis both applied for bail, which his Lordship granted in the same amount as before.

> Police Intelligence. (Both Magistrates Sitting.) Jan. 14, 1878.

GAMBLING. Wong Aloi, a hawker, was fined \$5 or 21 days' hard labour for gambling on the Recreation Ground.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION. Li Afat and Chan Awan, boatmen, were charged by Chinese Constable No. 201 with being found in possession of a bag of rice of which they could not give a satisfactory account, and were fined 20 shillings or one month's hard labour.

Lo Ayip, a rice pounder, was fined 10 shillings or 21 days' hard labour for being | and Parraca. - Mercantile Review. found in unlawful possession of a down-

Williams Huitt, a seaman unemployed, was charged with the above offence by P. C. White (No. 42). It appears that defendant had been to a public-house drinking other people's liquor, and this led to a disturbance Fined \$2 or 7 days' imprisonment, with hard

Jean Bolet, a seaman belonging to the French barque Sully, was fined \$1 or 2 days imprisonment for being drunk near the Harbour Master's Office.

Robert Duff, a carpenter belonging to the British ship Glenfruin, was fined 50 cents and to pay 50 cents chair-hire for being

drunk and refusing to pay chair-hire. Charles Brown, a seaman belonging to the British ship Broomhall, was fined 50 cents or one day's imprisonment for being drunk.

James Reid, a seaman unemployed, was fined 50 cents and to pay 10 cents chair-hire or one day's imprisonment for a similar

William Wilson, a seaman belonging to the British ship Broomhall, was fined 50 cents and to pay 10 cents chair-hire for a

similar offence. Austin Thompson, a seaman unemployed, was fined 50 cents and to pay 10 cents chair-

hire for a similar offence. The defendant in this case had been receiving support from the poor box, and Mr May ordered this to be stopped.

Kwok Akan, a hawker, was sent to months' hard labour for stealing a cap from the head of a French seaman.

Yeong Kum San, a fisherman, was sent to months' hard labour for stealing a pocket

book from a French seaman. CHARGE OF THEFT AGAINST THE CHIEF MATE

AND STEVEDORE OF THE STAMESE BARQUE "THOON KRAMMOM."

Julius Meyer, chief mate of the Siamese barque Thoon Krammom and Leung Akau, judgment, who likewise submitted that the The second defendant said that he received them from the mate and was to pay him \$30. Mr Russell committed both defendants

ALLEGED RIDNAPPING. Wok Akin and seven others were charged on the score of etiquette or sentiment on remand with unlawfully detaining a girl

Wan Afuk and four others, who were charged on Saturday with aiding and abetting in an act of piracy on the high seas, inferior quality, and consequently mis- said that the witnesses had all left the

Manila.

December 29th, 1877. Our trade for the last fortnight sums up

as follows: -Imports from 15th to 28th inst.—Hemp 21,998 picis., Cocoa-nut Oll 6,502 jars, Rice 7,440 pols., Sugar 9,401 pols., Hides 114 pols., Sapanwood 1,200 pols.

Exports from 15th to 29th inst.—Hemp 48,856 pels., Indigo 64 cwts., Sugar 59,660 pels., Coffee 316 pels., M. O. P. Shell 203 pels. Hides 822 pels., Cigare 5,653 mils, Rope 118 pcls., Sapanwood 4,041 pols., Leaf Tobacco 6,850 owts.

Exchange.-Hongkong (sight) 31 per cent. discount; Amoy (sight) 22 per cent. dis-

The Director of the Español Filipino Bank has solicited and obtained of the Government of the Islands, the following resolutions: 1st. Allowing the issue of Bank notes to the extent of \$200,000.

2nd. Said stablishment is to destroy all Bank notes in bad condition that are now in circulation, and to replace them, by new ones of the same value. 3rd. Allowing the Directors in turn to

sign the Bank notes, instead of the Royal Commissioner. Out of 18,500 mil Cigars offered for sale at public auction on the 21st, 10,082 mils

Arrivals. - Dec. 16, Flintshire, from Singapore to Hongkong and on reef Scarborough; 17, Esmeralds, from Amoy and 20, Emuy from Amoy and Bongkong; 24, Minerva, from Molucas Island; 25, India, from Habana, Tewkesbury, from Swatow 26. Cristoforo Colombo, from Hongkong; 27, Cadiz, from Liverpool via Cadiz, Barcelons and Singapore, St. Charles, from San Francisco, Evening Star and Ornate,

Mindoro, Saracen, Manuel, Trinidad, S. Lorenzo, Marry L. Stone, Flores de Maria, Elizabeth Nicholson, Faith, Leyte, Minerva, Hewkesdenry [1 Teukesbury], Cadiz, St. Charles, Evening Star, Ornate

The Straits.

(Straits Times) "On Tuesday, the 25th instant, at about 4 o'clock, fire was noticed on board the Walmer Castle, a British ship consigned to which having arrived from Samarang and Surabaya was taking in here additional cargo of sugar and arrack. Her commander, Captain Lanfesty, was not on board. The fire increased very rapidly and appears to have broken out in the lower portion of the vessel. Efforts to reach the fire with the pumping fire engine failed. When this became evident, the anchor was lifted in order to endeavour to drift her towards the coast, and to cause the ship to sink in shallow water there. In the meantime, the fire was steadily increasing and when the anchor was raised, it became apparent that the vessel far from moving towards the coast was drifting upon a Dutch vessel lying nearest the Walmer Castle, so that it was necessary to cast anchor again and bring the drifting vessel to a standstill. Extinguishing the fire was no longer to be thought of, owing to the great inflammability of the cargo. In the evening a tug boat went off to tow the vessel to the beach, but it became apparent that even this measure was no longer practicable, and also that the vessel was no longer approachable. At about half past 11, the masts and rigging were burning, and the whole vessel formed a column of fire reflected in the perfectly smooth water and from the white clouds. while the moon, just risen, formed a beautiful contrast to the glow of the fire.

Java Items. (From the Straits Times.)

When in the early morning of the 26th, the

Japara arrived, the vessel was still burning

in full flame. This morning she was still

burning inside. The cause of the fire is

still unknown. The ship was 1,164 tons

burthen, and was built of wood, 22 years

ago, in the Government dockyard, London.

Batavia Dagblad, 27th Dec.

Latest official reports from Bali state that the weather continued dry, not a single rain shower having fallen. From want of water, only a few fields could be planted with secondary crops. The import of rice was greater than usual. The coffee crop

"A stepld rumour circulated in the China Camp here to the effect that the Emperor of China intended to sent out vessels to convey back to their own country those of his subjects who are dispersed in other countries, especially Jave, took its rise, we understand, from the fact that lately a Chinese official arrived at this place from China on an official mission to make preparations for the establishment of Chinese Consulates bere and elsewhere in Java. On the eventual appointment of anch Consuls, trading relations will also be entered late with the Chinese Government, in connection, naturally, with a navigation line of ships or steamers. Whether in the meantime a person has been found or not, who is able and inclined to officiate here as consul, seems so far to be still doubtful. Many persons object to the troubl some formalicies connected with the carrying on of official correspondence with the Uhinese Government, while; besides; people are still far from being certain whether, besides honour, any other advantage can be resped from it. - Samarang Courant:

High winds blew down 185 and 224 native houses on the 24th and 28th November, in Buitenzorg and Samarang respectively.

" Samarang, Dec. 12.- A prosecution is to be instituted against a Obinaman natified

stand, to fully 300,000 guilders. Great speculations in rice which turned out unsuccessful were the cause of that occurrence wherein most of the mercantile firms there are concerned, some of them to very considerable amounts."—Batavia Dagblad, 17th

thunderstorm, a flash of lightning struck a tobacco storehouse in the Lumadiang district and set it on fire. In spite of the heavy rain that was falling, the storehouse. which was 180 feet long, was burned down and by the following morning, its contents, 1,230 piculs of tobacco, were reduced by the fall to a heap of smouldering ashes.

the service of one of the firms here, made away with money received. The guilty entreating, imploring, commanding, his preperson, this time, is Kwee Tiang Hok, and the money made away with amounted to 1,700 guilders. What had given rise to great difficulties with previous collectors, namely the furnishing of proof that they clave upon the rival claims of the disputed had not lest the money but had used it senators from Florida, Alabama and Louithemselves, will in this case be no difficultisiana, where two sets of Senators had been ty, because a police inspector has already elected and were awaiting the issue. in his possession a written confession from Kwee Tiang Hok wherein he confesses having received the 1,700 guilders, and only absentee of the entire senate. To all having not yet handed it over to the cashier. According to information received, however, he presented an obdurate refusal. which has been confirmed by his father, he, He only replied that he had three hundred on an average, used 4 guilders' worth of tons of silver, the disposal of which awaited opium daily. "-Batavia Dagblad, Dec. 18.

MISSION WORK AT AMOY.

Writing to the N. C. D. News, the Rev. W. Muirhead says :- " Dear Sir,-I was both surprised and grieved to see an anonymous article in your paper terday, emanating from Amoy, and describing various things relating to Mr. Dukes and the Mission work there. It was evidently written under an imaginative influence, supposing certain occurrences had Hongkong, Salvadora, from Singapore; taken place, such as overdrawn pictures of Missionary success, which Mr. Dukes had condemned, and in consequence he had been re-called. The whole was made to look like a gross reflection on the Mission. ary Agency at home, and on the character of the work abroad. As coming from a party on the spot, and it may be supposed from Hongkong; 28, Parraca, from Hong- directly acquainted with the state of things, while in sympathy with Mr. Dukes in the Departures.—Dec. 16, Paragua, for Sin- matter, the article is likely to have all the gapore, Undine, for New York; 17, Stag- more injurious effect on the persons conhound, for San Francisco; 18, Rosa Boet- cerned and on the cause generally. Recher, for Hongkong; 23, Criterion, for presenting as I do the London Missionary New York, F. H. Drews, for Falmouth, Society at this port, and feeling interested Esmeralda, for Amoy and Hongkong; 25, in its reputation alike here and elsewhere, Elmstone, for Falmouth, Memnon, for I could not read the article without a Boston via Iloilo; 27, Horsa, for New measure of pain and sorrow. I indulge in would be really very bad. As it is, they York; 29, Mactan and Emuy, for Hong- no reply to the statements made in it. They are not authoritative or professionally Shipping in Harbour. -Chica, Conchata, descriptive of the facts of the case, but the outspoken suppositions of certain indivi- separated from the ocean only by a narrow. duals as the probable occasion of Mr. Dukes' recall. Now, it happens that that a degree. But it has helped us in the great gentleman wrote me a few days before he left Amoy, and I have letters of a still later date from parties there deeply interested in the whole matter, and neither of them city, and altogether have been put to their affords any ground for the charges implied wits' end to keep the city supplied. The in the above article. Difference of thought drought came at a most inopportune time and action will obtain in all the relations for them, as a board of Commissioners had of social life, no less in the Missionary just been appointed to select a water source oircle than in any other, arising it may be for purchase. It has been determined that from temper and disposition, habit and it is better for the city to own its water education. Now I have the fullest warrant supply and works. The Commissioners have for saying that, in the present instance, as yet made no report but have given the the differences in question were wholly of public to understand that they have decided this kind. Mr. Dakes was here during the upon Blue Lakes, a group of lakes situated Missionary Conference in May last, and near to the summit of the Sierra Nevada home. His recent letter to me speaks in of it in various directions, so much so that fall .- Shanghai Courier.

he wished to be entirely devoted to it in these regions. Not a word of disparagement on the subject is breathed in the whole of his correspondence, while it was his carnest desire to continue in the field, either in connection with the L. M. Society or any other. I am not able to say particularly the cause of our friend's removal; I at certainly it was not that opined in the article under review, which I do regret as written in a spirit and style calculated to injure rather than benefit the cause that

SAN FRANCISCO.

Mr. Dukes has at heart."

(From our own Correspondent.) Dec. 3rd, 1877.

There is a tradition in San Francisco that Monday is a bad business day. Although Sunday is a day of rest every one takes a rest after Sunday. Even the hilarious stock brokers transact less business on that day than any other and a decline is one of the

very little shopping done. Even the theatres Bombay, demand Rupees, ... 2241 complain that notwithstanding the usual Calcutta, attraction of a new bill, people will not be Shanghai, demand, 713 tempted forth on Monday night.

affairs to-day therefore is something quite

The streets are in a manner deserted, for Gold Leat, all the politicians, tricksters, wire-pullers, English Sovereigns, jobbers, newly elected congressmen and Senators have gone to Sacramento.

The legislature convenes to-day, and although very little will be effected until after the holidays, the wise ones are putting every- Hongkong Bank, 60 % prem-thing in train for action when the proper Union Ins. Society of Canton.

To the people of San Francisco one of th most interesting bills before the legislature will be that which relates to the reduction of street-car fares. On every road now running through the city, excepting one they charge 61 cts. a ticket. Thus if one found, as frequently is the case, with nothing but a ten cent piece in his purse, the company quietly appropriates the 22 cts. Fiv tickets for twenty-five cts. is accounted fair by the people, and they seem determined to have it reduced to that.

One enterprising Chinaman, backed, it is supposed, by the six companies, has chartered a chip which he intends to load with a cargo of merchandize. He intends this to so far pay the expenses of the trip as to permit of his taking over a lot of Chinamen at merely nominal rates, as little perhaps as

The Pacific Mail people look with singular distayour on the experiment, as they are very much afraid it will become a permanent institution. If the first trip be. a success it probably will: The Six Companies are having a large number of una employed Chinamen thrown on their hands, and they will be more than glad to get rid of them to chtaply,

A number of institutions are being started;

Ong Chok Choan here, who has suspended on a small scale, for the purpose of providing payment. His liabilities amount, we under | poor women with work. That which has made the most headway is a cooperative laundry in which women are employed for all but the very heaviest labour; steps are now being taken also to try to restore to women a great deal of the sewing-machine work, including ladies' underwear and men's overalls, a business which had passed On the 3rd December, during a heavy almost exclusively into the hands of the

In short they are trying to run John out of the country by giving him no inducements

to remain in it. While ambitious people are trying very hard to become senators, the senator we have, Mr Wm. Sharon, has been treating with leisurely nonchalance the duties of his "Again has a Chinese bill collector in office. For a fortnight past telegraphic dispatches have been pouring in upon him sence in Washington. That most direful calamity a democratic majority was apprehended in the United States Senate, and this while they were sitting in solemn con-

> For two or three days everything seemed to hang upon the vote of Mr Sharon, the the telegraphic tears, prayers and entreaties. the passage of the silver bill. Also that he was manipulating Ophir stock. Ophir has given both the speculators and the brokers a lively dance. Three weeks ago it was selling for \$13 per share. To-day it is selling for \$56. During the intermediate time it has fluctuated in a manner singularly trying to those who had made an investment. It has alternated ten and fifteen dollars in a single session, and has made and lost fortunes with bewildering rapidity. Itsrises and falls were of greater consequence to Senator Sharon's exchequer than the government of the United States. It is needless to remark that he is a financier rather than a statesman. The singularity of his position in the affair was considerably enhanced by his independ. ence. His enraged constituents could not ask him to resign because that would involve the immediate appointment of a democratic

When he calmly signified his willingness to do so, he was immediately beset by another section of the party entreating him not to

He calmly staid at home and attended to

To the city inhabitants another dry season would give cause for great concern. The supply of water is already lamentably small. and, in case of another drought, affairs have been obliged to tap Lake Merced, a small sheet of water situated some six or seven miles to the west of the city. It is strip of sand and its waters are brackish to extremity. The Spring Valley Water Company have erected some very expensive pumping works in order to bring it into the always spoke most highly of the work range. If this be the eventual choice of the going on at Amoy, as genuine and exem- people, we shall have some remarkable plary in its character and entitled to the engineering to show among our wonders. confidence and support of the Churches at Meantime the Spring Valley people walk the earth with their faces turned up to the the most hopeful manner of the prospects sky, and count the blessed drops as they

Quotations. Hongkong, January 14, 1878. OPIUM.—New Patna, cash....\$600

Old Patna, cash,... None New Benares, cash, 570 Old Benares, cash, None New Malwa, cash, gredit, 680 Taols, — Allowance Old Malwa, cash, credit, 700

Allowance Taels, -

Exchange. Bank, on demand, ... 3/102 30 days' sight, ... 3/11 6 months' sight, ... 8/118 Few ships sail on Monday and there is Documentary, 6months' sight,... 3/112 The air of mild excitement which pervades | Bar Silver, 17, dwts. B., ... 1 p. c. pm. Mexicans. Australian Sovereigns, ... 5.06 Discount, 8 a 10

Bhares.

Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,100 China Traders' Ins. Co., \$8,000 Chinese Insurance Co., \$265 Yangtese Ins. Assoc., Tla. 655 North China Ins. Co., Tis. 860 H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$685 China Fire Ins. Co., \$175 H.K. & W. Dook Co., 6 % dis. H. K. C. & M. S. bost Co., 14 % dis. Shanghai Steam Navigation, Tis. 26 Hongkong Gas Co., \$75 Hongkong Hotel Uc., 107 Ohinese Imperial Lean, £104 Do. 1877, 4101.10/

Temperature. (Taken at Mevers Palsoner & Co. & Premies Queen's Boad.)

Honakone, January 14, 1878. BARDMETER- 9 A.M. ... THERMOMETER-9 A.M. ... 1 .t.M. 4 P.H. ... Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. Do. 1 P.M. 4 P.M. Do. Maximum Do Minimum over night 58



BTEAM FOR Bingapore, Penang, Point de Galle. Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi, Venice, Mediterranean Ports, Southampton, and London,

Bombay, Madras, Calcutta, and Australia.

THE PENINSULAR AND OBJECTAL STRAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship GEELONG, Captain Frases, will leave this on THURSDAY, the 17th January, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to A. LIND, Superintendent. Hongkong, January 7, 1878.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mall Steamer CITY OF PEKING will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on SATUR-DAY, the 19th January, at Noon, taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportstion to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers. A REDUCTION OF TWENTY PER CENT on regular rates is granted to OFFICERS OF THE ARMY AND NAVY, expense. AND MEMBERS OF THE CIVIL AND CONSULAR SERVICES IN COMMIS-

BION. Breight will be received on board until 4 p.m., 18th January. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day i all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same

Consular Involces to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco. For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the

Company, No. 9, Praya Central. RUSSELL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, December 31, 1877.

Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, IN COMMECTION WITH THE

OENTRAL; and UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING

RAILROAD COMPANIES AND

ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "OCEANIO" will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohame, on FRIDAY, the 1st February, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe. Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until p.m. of the 31st January. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value. of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PAS-SAGE TICKETS.

For further information as to Freight De Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 87, Queen's Road Central. G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Rongkong, January 4, 1878.

THE CHINESE MAIL.

Chipses Mail.

177WO conta a character for the first 100 characters, and one cent a character beyond the first 100, for first intertion, and half price for repetitions during the first week. Subsequent weeks insertions will be charged only one half the amount of the first week's charge, Advertisements for half a year and longer will be allowed a deduction of 25 per cent on the total amount, and contracts for more favourable terms san be made.

Efforts have been made to establish Agents for circulating the Chinese Mail Inall the ports and in the interior of China, all the ports in Japan, in Salgon, Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, Batavia, Manila, the Phillippines, Australia, San Francisco, Peru and other places which Chinese frequent. When the list of Agencies is completed, it will be published. Agents have been Aiready established in most of the above places, and in important ports more than one agent has been appointed at each, CHUN AYIN,

Manager. Haustons, Fahrhery 28, 1874,

Notices to Consignees.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S. Indus, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on, unless intimation is received from the Consignees, before To-Monnow, the 10th Inst., at Noon, requesting it to be landed here. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after WED-NESDAY, the 16th January, 1878, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges. No Fire Insurance has been effected. H. DU POUEY,

Agent. Hongkong, January 9, 1878.

GERMAN STEAMER GALATEA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Steamer are hereby informed, that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the Undersigned, from whence delivery may be ob-

Consignees wishing to take delivery of their Goods from the Boats alongside the Wharf are at liberty to do so. Goods remaining in store after the 17th

Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire insurance has been effected. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless written notice to the contrary is given WM. PUSTAU & Co.,

Agents. Hongkong, January 10, 1878.

ONSIGNEES of Cargo per Norwegian Bark VEGA, NORDTVEDT, Master, Through Passage Tickets granted to from HAMBURG, are requested to take England, France, and Germany by all immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside the Vessel. Cargo impeding the discharge will be

landed and stored at Consignees' risk and Bills of Lading will be countersigned by WM. PUSTAU & Co.,

Agents, Hongkong, January 8, 1878.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, IN LIQUIDATION.

SECOND RETURN of CAPITAL at the Rate of FIVE TAELS per SHARE will be made to Shareholders of record on the 1st October, Payable at the Office of the Liquidators, on the 8th Inst. Warrants will be delivered by the Under-signed to Shareholders or their lawful representatives on presentation of Share Certificates for Endorsement.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be ULOBED from the 2nd to the 8th Instant, inclusive.

> By Order, RUSSELL & Co.,

Liquidators. Shanghai, October 2, 1877.

insurances.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE-HONGKONG.

GENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang. Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance

granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports. NO CHARGE FOR POLICY PERS.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE. Bestetary.

Rongkong, November 1, 1871.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

COMPANY.

CAPITAL -TWO MILLIONS STEELING.

THE Undersigned are propared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on TETHE Undersigned having been appointed Coals in Matsheds, on Goods on board A Agents for the above Corporation at Versels and on Hulls of Versels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be recelved, and transmitted to the Directors If required, protection will be granted on

first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co. Agenie Hongkong & Canton, Hongkong, January 4, 1887.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to gratit Policies against Fire to the extent of 45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at customi lucal rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premia. NORTON & Co.,

Hougkong, January L. 1874.

Insurances.

YANGTSZE INSURANCE ASSO-CIATION.

CAPITAL Fully Paid-up......Tls. 420,000 SPECIAL RESERVE FUND 75,000 | Section.

Total Capital and accumula. 3 Tls. 725,000 tions this date.....

Directors:

F. B. Forbes, Esq., Chairman.
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HONGKONG, LONDON, SAN FRANCISCO, and

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Subject to a charge of 12 % for interest on Shareholders' Capital, ALL THE PROFITS OF THE UNDERWRITING BUSINESS WILL be Böhme, Master, FROM HAMBURG, annually distributed among all Contributors of Business in proportion to the premium paid by them.

> RUSSELL & Co., Hongkong, October 1, 1877.

INSURANCE COMPANY. CHINESE (LIMITED.) NOTICE.

TOLICIES granted at ourrent rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles until To-morrow, the 11th Inst., at 11 a.m. of Association, Two Thirds of the Profits Bills of Lading will be countersigned by are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholdess or not, in proportion to the nett amount of Premia contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co., General Agents. Hongkoug, April 17, 1878.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY. FIGHE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates. MELCHERS & Co.,

Agents, Royal Insurance Company. Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament. ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000. THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkons for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20

GILMAN & Co., Agents. Hongkong, July 6, 1875.

SHEONG ON FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL ONE MILLION DOLLARS. Directors.

Kwok Acheone, Merchant. PANG YIM, Merchant. Ho Sam, of Hop Yik Chan, Merchant. LOO YEE, of the Yee On Hong, Merchan LEE SING, of Lai Hing Firm, Merchant. OHEANG SING YEONG, Merchant. CHOY CHAN, Merchant.

Manager-HO AMEL

POLICIES against FIRE granted of Buildings and on Goods store therein at CURRENT RATES, subject DISCOUNT of 20 % on the Premia.

OFFICE, 48, Bonham Strand. Hongkong, August 23, 1877.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE,

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A. D. 1720: propared to grant Insurances as fellows:

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Policienissued for long or short periods at

Hongkong, July 25, 1872. MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at ourrent rates.

COMPANY OF MANCHESTER

AND LONDON.

· HOLLIDAY, WISH & Oc. Hongkong, Ostober 14, 1900,

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked h., near the Kowloong shore k., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked o., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.

1. From Green Island to the Gas Works. 6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard. 2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works. 7. From Naval Yard to the Pier. 3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office. 8. From Pier to East Point.

4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.

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Conquest	.i5 h	Hamin	Brit, atr.	317	Jan. 9	Kwong Lee Yuen Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Holhow & Haiphong Shanghai	To-day
Cyphrenes Esmeralda	. 5 h	Cullen	Brit, str.	395	Jan. 13	J. Y. V. Shaw H.K. & W'poa Dock Co.	Amoy	To-day Tug Plying
FameFlintshire		Thomas	Brit, str. Brit. str.	1243	Dec. 23	H. Kinir & Co.	Shanghai	K'loon Dock To-day
Galatea	, 5 c	Bohme	.Ger. str. Brit. str		Jan. 14	Wm. Pustau & Co. P. & O. S. N. Co.	Europe, &c.	Malls, 17th
Hailoong	, 5 b	Abbott	Brit. str. Brit. str		Jan. 11 Jan. 3	Douglas Lapraik & Co. David Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Tamani, &c. S'pore, Calcutta, &c	To-morrow
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